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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 729

By Newton

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Dr. Carl Hite for laudable service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those persons who through their personal and professional efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Dr. Carl Hite, President of Cleveland State Community College, who was awarded the Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hite was recognized at the 82nd international convention of Phi Theta Kappa in Orlando, Florida; the award is named for the President Emeritus of Highline Community College of Midway, Washington; and

WHEREAS, the prestigious award is presented to outstanding community college executive officers who have provided extensive support and a variety of resources for their college's Phi Theta Kappa Chapter; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hite has given his unflagging support to securing instructional resources for the chapter's travel and inductions; he generously allocated funds from his Presidential

Budget to finance a chapter trip to headquarters and to support membership travel to the International Honors Institute; and

WHEREAS, these meaningful opportunities would not have been possible without Carl Hite's dedication and selfless munificence; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hite is one of only 20 executive officers to receive this international award from 1,200 chapters in the United States, Canada, Germany, Japan, and Guam; and

WHEREAS, he serves with acumen and alacrity as the statewide Phi Theta Kappa Presidential Ambassador and coordinates the All-State American Team programs; and

WHEREAS, Carl Hite epitomizes the spirit and commitment that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Dr. Hite for his dedication to the state of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Dr. Carl Hite, recipient of the Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction, for his service to the state of Tennessee and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.